

Know all men by these Presents that  
I, Benjamin S. Downs who was a soldier  
in Captain Charles Lealricks Company  
of Mount Vernon Ohio Volunteers in  
the revolution of 1836 that separated  
Texas from Mexico do hereby constitute  
and appoint Messrs. Spence & McMill  
of the City of Austin State of Texas my  
agents and attorneys for me and in my  
name to receive and receipt for any  
and all bonds or other certificates  
or evidences of indebtedness that may  
be issued to me or in my behalf by  
reason of my services in said War,  
and hereby ratifying and confirming  
the same as if I was personally present.  
Ben S Downs

State of Ohio  
Knox County, ss; Before me the  
undersigned authority in and for the  
county aforesaid personally appeared  
the above named Benjamin S. Downs  
and acknowledged the same to be  
his voluntary act and deed for the  
purposes therein expressed  
J. L. Andrews  
Notary Public  
Knox County Ohio